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The Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application No.: 09/875,542

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced application is a Response to Official Communication including Petition for Extension of Time with Deposit Account Authorization (in duplicate), and Certificate of Filing by Mail. Also enclosed is our postcard receipt, which we ask that you acknowledge and return to us.

Very truly yours,

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